

## PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 9 Jan 59	2. LOCATION Cannon AFB-Clovis-5 mi E of Portales, N. M., Alvord Texas		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical Meteor <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical  <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 10/0033Z & 0028Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar		
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE Military		
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5 secs	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE SW	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Elongated, cylindrical obj with what appeared to be a sharp nose. Obj appeared slightly larger than the fuselage of a B-52 a/c. Color was clearly white as if painted white. Had trail of wispy vapor two to three times length of obj which appeared light gray in color.		11. COMMENTS Obj has all characteristics of a large meteor.	

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~~REDACTED~~ 832ND AB GP, ASS'T OPS ~~REDACTED~~, A-1.

~~REDACTED~~, ~~REDACTED~~ 312TH A & E SQDN, PILOT,  
ASSUMED GOOD.

~~REDACTED~~, 1ST LT., 428 TF SQDN., PILOT,  
ASSUMED GOOD.

G (1) VISIBILITY GOOD CONSIDERING LIGHT CONDITIONS GIVEN  
D (2).

(2) 270 DEGREES, 6 TO 8 KNOTS, 10,000 FEET.

(3) UNLIMITED R ASC ENT AFB

(4) 15 MILES 34TH AIR DIVISION CENTER

(5) HIGH SCATTERED 1/10 AIR INTELLIGENCE CENTER

(6) NONE

H NONE

I NONE

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J ONLY KNOWN AIR TRAFFIC IS AS INDICATED IN C (3).

K 832ND AIR DIVISION INTELLIGENCE OFF. INTERVIEW WITH  
OBSERVERS LISTED IN F (1) (2) RESULTED IN ESSENTIALLY THE  
SAME INFO FROM ALL. POSSIBILITY THAT SIGHTING WAS METEOR  
BUT ALL EXCEPT ONE OBSERVER RULE THIS OUT. EFFORTS TO LEARN  
IF OBJECT COULD BE TEST VEHICLE FROM HOLLOMAN AFB WERE IN-  
CONCLUSIVE AS CAPT. ~~REDACTED~~ COULD NEITHER CONFIRM  
OR DENY THIS POSSIBILITY. IT IS NOT BELIEVED THE OBJECT WAS  
AN ORBITING SATELLITE AS THE LIGHT OR FLAME APPEARED TO BE  
FROM A PROPELLANT.



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CATEGORY B ENCRYPTION—PHYSICALLY REMOVE  
ALL INTERNAL REFERENCES BY DATE-TIME GROUP  
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/ [REDACTED] / FROM 11DOI 9-2005. SECTION ONE OF TWO.

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED

FLYING OBJECT REPORT. UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF AFR 200-2 AND  
AFR 200-2A, DATED 3 JULY 1958, THE FOLLOWING UFO REPORT IS  
SUBMITTED. FORMAT OF REPORT FOLLOWS OUTLINE UNDER PARAGRAPH 15,  
AFR 200-2, DATED 5 FEBRUARY 1958.

- A. (1) ELONGATED, CYLINDRICAL, WITH APPARENTLY A SHARP NOSE.  
(2) APPEARED TO OBSERVER TO BE SLIGHTLY LARGER THAN  
FUSELAGE OF A B-52 AIRCRAFT AT THE SAME DISTANCE.  
(3) (WHITE) OBSERVER STATES COLOR WAS CLARLY WHITE AS IF  
PAINTED WHITE.

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- (4) ONE  
(5) ONE OBJECT INVOLVED.  
(6) OBJECT WAS VIEWED BY OBSERVER IN THE LEFT PILOTS SEAT  
OF B-52 AIRCRAFT. THE OBSERVER VIEWED THE OBJECT THROUGH THE  
WIND SHIELD OF THE AIRCRAFT. OBJECT WAS FIRST SIGHTED HIGH  
ABOVE THE HORIZON THROUGH THE UPPER RIGHT PORTION OF THE WIND  
SHIELD. THE OBJECT MOVED IN A FLAT PATH FROM RIGHT TO LEFT  
APPROXIMATELY 90 DEGREES TO THE B-52 FLIGHT PATH. OBSERVER ESTI-  
MATED MAGNETIC HEADING OF OBJECT TO BE 175 DEGREES.  
(7) TRAIL OF WISPY VAPOR, TWO TO THREE TIMES THE LENGTH OF  
THE OBJECT, AND SLIGHTLY LARGER IN DIAMETER, FOLLOWED CLOSELY  
BEHIND THE MOVING OBJECT. NO FLAME WAS OBSERVED. TRAIL APPEARED  
TO BE LIGHT GRAY IN COLOR.

DAY Light Meteor Characteristics

- (8) NONE AUDIBLE.  
(9) DUE TO THE TIME OF THE SIGHTING, PART OF THE SKY WAS  
DARK. FROM THE OBSERVERS POSITION SLIGHTLY MORE THAN HALF OF  
THE SKY ARE, AS VIEWED FROM THE LEFT PILOTS SEAT OF THE B-52,  
WAS DARK. THE AREA WAS DARKEST TO THE OBSERVERS RIGHT OR TOWARD  
THE NORTH WEST. THE AREA TO THE OBSERVERS LEFT SIDE WAS STILL  
LIGHT AND THE SUNS RAYS SHONE ON THE OBJECT WHEN FIRST SIGHTED IN

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THE DARK SKY TO THE NORTH WEST. OBJECT WAS VIEWED UNTIL THE



BRIGHT AREA TO THE OBSERVERS LEFT SIDE OBSERVED THE DETAILS AND SIGHTING WAS LOST.

B. (1) OBSERVER, AS AIRCRAFT COMMANDER OF THE B-52 WAS SCANNING THE SKY BECAUSE OF EXCELLENT VISIBILITY AND ALERTNESS FOR OTHER AIRCRAFT IN THE AREA. OBSERVER HAD OBSERVED AN AIRCRAFT HIGHER THAN HIS AIRCRAFT AND QUITE FAR AWAY TO HIS LEFT. OBSERVER BELIEVED SIGHTED AIRCRAFT TO BE A B-52. SIGHTED AIRCRAFT APPEARED MUCH LOWER THAN UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT. *Heading 250°*

(2) 20 DEGREES ABOVE THE HORIZON AND 50 DEGREES TO THE RIGHT OF THE AIRCRAFT'S NOSE, APPROXIMATELY TWO O'CLOCK POSITION.

(3) 20 DEGREES ABOVE THE HORIZON AND 30 DEGREES TO THE LEFT OF THE AIRCRAFT'S NOSE, APPROXIMATELY TWO O'CLOCK POSITION.

(4) NO DEVIATIONS IN ALTITUDE OR COURSE OBSERVED. UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT MOVED IN A FLATE TRAJECTORY FROM (NORTH TO SOUTH).

(5) GRADUALLY BLENDED WITH LIGHT AREA TO THE SOUTH (MAGNETIC).

(6) ESTIMATED (2 1/2 TO 3 SECONDS).

C. (1) AIRBORNE VISUAL.

(2) NO OPTICAL AIDS USED. OBSERVER DOES NOT WEAR GLASSES.

(3) B-52 TAIL NUMBER 57138, ALTITUDE 36,000 FEET, MAGNETIC

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HEADING 250 DEGREES SPEED 440 KNOTS TAS, HOME STATION ALTUS AIR FORCE BASE, OKLAHOMA

D. (1) 10 JANUARY 0028 ZEBRA. *0028-6 = 1828*

(2) DUSK

B. (1) OVER ALVORD, TEXAS, 332130N 974100W.

F. (1) MILITARY: [REDACTED] CAPTAIN, USAF, [REDACTED] 42ND BOMB SQUADRON, 11TH BOMB WING, (H), SAC, ALTUS AFB, OKLA, COMPLETELY RELIABLE. OBSERVER IS A B-52 AIRCRAFT COMMANDER WITH APPROXIMATELY 2500 HOURS FLYING TIME. HE HAS SERVED WITH THE ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE AS WELL AS THE USAF.

G. (1) WEATHER: OBSERVER ESTIMATED CEILING: CLEAR; VISABILITY 100 MILES; WINDS AT 36,000 FEET 290 DEGREES AT 40 KNOTS. NO CLOUDS ABOVE OR BELOW OBSERVER ALTITUDE WERE VISABLE.

(2) WINDS: SURFACE 340 DEGREES 4K; 6,000 FEET, 360 DEGREES 10K; 10,000 FEET 350 DEGREES; 16,000 FEET 020 DEGREES 25K; 20,000 FEET 355 DEGREES 15K; 30,000 FEET 340 DEGREES 25K; 50,000 FEET 290 DEGREES 50K; 80,000 FEET 270 DEGREES 21 K.

(3) CLEAR.

(4) SURFACE VISABILITY 6 MILES IN HAZE.

(5) NONE

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(6) NON REPORTED.

HGM OBSERVER STATED THAT HE VELEIVED THE UFO MAY HAVE BEEN A MISSELE.

I. NONE

J. ONE AIRCRAFT TO THE SOUTH WEST OF ALVORD, TEXAS; OVER 36,000 FEET ALTITUDE; MOVING TOWARD SOUTH. OBSERVER IDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT AS A B-52.

K. CHIEF OF OPERATIONA INTELLIGENCE BRANDH, 11TH BOMB WING, INTELLIGENCE DIVISION. PREPARING OFFICERS COMMENTS: THE OBSERVER STATED HE FELT SOME RELUCTANCE BEFORE REPORTING THIS SIGHTING IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT HE HAD NO OPORTUNITY TO NOTIFY OTHER




WAS RADIOING A POSITION REPORT AT THE TIME OF THE SIGHTING AND  
DID'NT SEE THE OBJECT. DUE TO THE DIRECTION OF MOVEMENT OF THE  
UFO IT IS BELEIVED UNLIKELY THAT A MISSILE LAUNCHED FROM KNOWN  
AMERICAN LAUNCH SITES COULD BE OBSERVED IN THE AREA OF THE  
OBSERVATION. THE LACK OF RELIABLE INFORMATION AT THIS LEVEL  
PERTAINING TO KNOWN ORBITING EARTH-SATELITES, PROHIBITS EXPLOIT-  
ATION OF THIS HYPOTHESIS. THE UFO'S REPORTED SPEED OF MOVEMENT  
GENERALLY RULES OUT THE PROBABILITY OF OPERATIONAL AIRCRAFT.  
THIS REDUCES FURTHER THE PROBABILITY OF THE SIGHTING BEING A HIGH

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PROBLEMS. DUE TO THE LACK OF FURTHER INFORMATION AS STATED  
POSITIVE IDENTITY OF THE UFO CANNOT BE MADE. THEREFORE THE  
POSSIBILITY OF THE UFO BEING A MISSILE-TYPE SATELITE EXISTS.

L. NEGATIVE.

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/C O N F I D E N T I A L / FROM 11DOI 9-2005. FINAL SECTION OF TWO.  
ALTITUDE JET. A CHECK WITH THE FORT WORTH CONTROL CENTER REVEALED  
NO KNOWN FLIGHTS IN THE AREA OTHER THAN THE TWO B-52'S MENTIONED  
IN THIS REPORT. ASSUMING THAT A B-58 COULD FIT THE GENERAL DES-  
CRPTION OF THE UFO A CHECK WAS MADE WITH CONVAIR AIRCRAFT AND  
CARSWELL AFB LOCATED AT FORTH WORTH, TEXAS. RECORDS REVEALED THAT  
NO B-58S OR CHASE (F-102 AND F101) AIRCRAFT WERE AIRBORNE AT THE  
TIME OF THE SIGHTING. RADAR SITES IN THE GENERAL AREA OF THE SITING  
HAVE NOT BEEN CHECKED DUE TO THE TIME ELEMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS



(8) NONE

(9) NONE

B (1) OBSERVERS IN ACFT ATTRACTED BY CROSSING FLIGHT OF OBJECT. GROUND OBSERVERS ATTENTION NOT ATTRACTED BY ANY PARTICULAR REASON.

(2) 30 DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON, 8,000 FEET, 020 DEGREES.

(3) 30 DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON, ESTIMATE 8,000 FEET, 200 DEGREES.

(4) STRAIGHT AND LEVEL FLIGHT?

(5) INSTANTANEOUSLY TO THE SOUTHWEST.

(6) APPROXIMATELY FIVE SECONDS.

C (1) GROUND-VISUAL AND AIR-VISUAL.

(2) NONE.

(3) H-19, 13948, 5500 FT, 030 DEGREES, 90 KNOTS,

CANNON AFB, C-123 54577, 8,500 FT, 235 DEGREES, 150 KNOTS,

CANNON AFB.

D (1) 10/0033Z (APPROXIMATELY)

(2) DUXK

E 3423 NORTH, 10314 WEST (CANNON AFB), 3510 NORTH, 10000 WEST

(APPROXIMATELY 100 MILES EAST AMARILLO, TEXAS, 3415 NORTH,

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10305 WEST (5 MILES EAST PORTALES, N. MEX.) 3423 NORTH,

10305 WEST (CLOVIS, N. MEX.).

F. (1) [REDACTED], AGE UNKNOWN, [REDACTED]

CLOVIS N. MEX., ASS'T COUNTY [REDACTED]



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A (1) CYLINDRICAL-BULLET SHAPED. SOME OBSERVERS REPORT ONLY  
A FLAME OR LIGHT.

(2) 2 TO 3 FEET LONG. DIAMETER UNKNOWN.

(3) UNKNOWN. YELLOWISH-WHITE LIGHT EMITTING FROM TAIL.

(4) ONE

(5) N/A

(6) NONE OTHER THAN ABOVE.

(7) YELLOWISH-WHITE LIGHT OR FLAME EXTENDING APPROXIMATELY  
TEN FEET IN REAR OF OBJECT: DID NOT APPEAR SIMILAR TO JET AB.



L. NONE

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OBJECT. OF THE OBSERVERS ATTENTION NOTED BY THE  
PARTICULAR REASON.

(1) 30 DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON, 8,000 FEET, 020 DEGREES.

(2) 30 DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON, ESTIMATE 7,000 FEET, 200  
DEGREES.

(3) STRAIGHT AND LEVEL.

(4) INITIAL PROBABLY FROM THE NORTH.

(5) APPROXIMATELY FIVE.

(6) (1) CLOUD, INDIVIDUAL AND AL-AL-AL-AL.

(7) NONE.

(8) M-19, 1000, 5000 FT, 1000, 1000, 1000.

CANNON A, 1000, 5000 FT, 1000, 1000, 1000.

CANNON B